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SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Will the Government instruct the district boards not to open high schools before they are in a position to pay Government scales of pay to the teachers in elementary schools? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Even apart from that, they are in a bad way financially. So, they have been advised not to open new schools."

Mechanics' posts sanctioned for the Madras Government Press as on 1st November 1954.

* 268 *Q.* – SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of (1) general head mechanics, (2) senior mechanics, and (3) auxiliary mechanics' posts sanctioned for the Madras Government Press as on 1st November 1954 and their scales of pay; and

(*b*) whether there are any posts of mechanics for Lino and Mono departments sanctioned by the Government and if so, their number and scales of pay?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" As there is discrepancy with regard to the number of head Lino mechanics as stated in the answer and as shown in the Budget, may I request the Government to take up this matter with the Controller of Stationery and Printing with a view to ensure the proper allocation of the posts of head mechanics in the general and Lino departments? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I shall see if it can be done."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" Will the Government examine how many lino-type machines are lying idle in the Press and see that suitable and adequate staff is posted to the Lino department with a view to ensure the satisfactory maintenance of these costly machines? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I shall take note of this fact."

SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" May I know whether these posts have been filled up or whether they are lying vacant and how many of them are vacant? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I have no information on that point. A separate question may be given notice of."

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SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR :—" May I take it that those machines are not kept idle? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" That information is not with me. Only information with regard to the various categories of staff was wanted. I have placed such a list on the table of the House."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" May I know whether the claims of suitable and experienced senior mechanics in the Lino department are also considered for promotion as head mechanics in preference to juniors in the general department? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I think the Controller will certainly take note of the existence of hands available before making appointments."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN.

(1) SRI R. V. KRISHNA AYYAR'S REPLY TO THE RESOLUTION ON HIS RETIREMENT.

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN :—" I have to announce to the House that I have received a letter, dated the 26th March 1955, from Sri R .V. Krishna Ayyar, Secretary to the State Legislature (on leave), Madras, acknowledging in suitable words the resolution passed by the Madras Legislative Council on 24th March 1955.

(2) MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

" I have also to announce to the House that I have received the following messages, dated the 9th March 1955 from the Governor of Madras :—

'(1) In pursuance of Article 207, clause (3), of the Constitution of India, I, Sri Prakasa, Governor of Madras, hereby recommend to the Madras Legislative Council the consideration of the Madras Appropriation Bill, 1955.'

(2) In pursuance of Article 207, clause (3), of the Constitution of India, I, Sri Prakasa Governor of Madras, hereby recommend to the Madras Legislative Council the consideration of the Madras Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1955.'

(3) MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

" I have also to announce to the House that I have received the following messages, dated 28th March 1955, from the Hon. the Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly :—

'(1) In accordance with rule 114 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Madras Appropriation Bill, 1955 (L. A. Bill No. 5 of 1955) as passed by the Assembly on the 28th March, 1955 and signed by me for the recommendations of the Council.'

" I certify that this is a Money Bill within the meaning of Article 199 of the Constitution of India, and

'(2) In accordance with rule 114 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Madras Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1955 (L. A. Bill No. 6 of 1955) as passed by the Assembly on the 28th March 1955 and signed by me for the recommendations of the Council.'

" (2) I certify that this is a Money Bill within the meaning of Article 199 of the Constitution of India."